

SCECAP 2002 -- Open Water

Sediment characteristics, contaminants, and toxicity

Station	Characteristics			Contaminants				Toxicity				
	Percent		TOC	ERMQ	Metals*	PAHs*	Pest**	EC ₅₀	Microtox® Assay		Seed Clam Assay	
	Silt/Clay	% of Total	(mg/l)		Percent	Toxic	Growth		Percent	Toxic	Mean	Toxic
RO026001	4.1	0.1	0.8	0.004				4.4			20.1	
RO026002	27.1	0.5	1.7	0.007				0.4			42.7	
RO026003	12.3	0.4	4.9	0.009				0.2	†		46.6	
RO026004	9.0	0.4	1.9	0.006				6.3			58.1	
RO026005	9.0	0.4	5.3	0.005				4.6			4.3	†
RO026006	4.9	0.2	2.8	0.003				0.4	†		11.1	†
RO026007	7.2	0.4	3.5	0.007				2.3			9.9	†
RO026008	38.8	1.7	5.3	0.024	1			0.4			51.6	
RO026009	5.5	0.2	3.6	0.011				1.0			36.8	
RO026010	85.3	4.8	13.8	0.097	3			0.0	†		34.5	†
RO026011	14.3	0.3	1.8	0.007				0.4	†		34.2	
RO026012	4.3	0.4	1.8	0.003				0.6			43.4	†
RO026013	37.3	1.8	5.2	0.031	1			0.2	†		23.9	
RO026014	6.6	0.3	3.9	0.008				0.5	†		21.2	†
RO026016	9.4	0.3	1.7	0.023				0.3	†		52.2	†
RO026017	4.9	0.1	2.2	0.004				3.5			52.8	
RO026018	2.3	0.0	0.3	0.003				17.3			60.3	
RO026019	1.5	0.1	0.3	0.001				16.4			34.0	†
RO026020	13.3	0.4	2.3	0.010				0.8			43.4	
RO026021	79.0	2.6	8.7	0.028	1			0.0	†		60.9	
RO026022	7.3	0.2	5.1	0.002				0.2	†		46.8	
RO026023	12.2	0.3	3.3	0.004				0.3	†		61.6	
RO026024	4.9	0.2	1.7	0.002				1.0			52.4	
RO026025	7.3	0.2	0.7	0.005				3.1			21.6	
RO026026	5.2	0.2	1.0	0.006				2.0			56.9	
RO026027	8.2	0.2	1.3	0.005				5.6			21.3	
RO026028	11.6	0.9	4.7	0.030				0.4	†		43.0	
RO026029	85.4	4.2	10.8	0.040	2		1	0.0	†		-12.4	†
RO026030	94.5	3.2	5.0	0.122	6	2		0.0	†		56.9	
RO026151	1.9	0.1	0.6	0.003				17.0			45.9	
RO026290	67.5	2.6	1.5	0.055	1	1		0.4			32.3	
NO026302	2.7	0.3	2.4	0.006				0.4	†		20.5	†
Mean	22.0	0.9	3.6	0.018				2.9			37.7	

Only random stations (RO or RT) are included in the means.

† = Toxic: Microtox, EC₅₀ <0.5 if silt-clay < 20% , <0.2 if silt-clay > 20% (Ringwood et al., 1997, criterion #6); Seed Clam Assay, if mean clam growth is < 80% of mean clam control growth AND significantly different from mean clam control growth

■ Values exceed threshold representing moderate risk of benthic impacts (Hyland et al., 1999).

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* Number of analytes that exceed Effects Range Low (ER-L) guidelines (Long et al., 1995).